

VA PORTLAND HEALTH CARE SYSTEM (VAPORHCS) Job Vacancy List

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Clinical Research

Research Nurse Coordinator, full-time, \$72,540 + benefits

The incumbent will provide clinical services as part of a randomized clinical trial aimed at improving the safety of prescription opioid medications for patients with chronic pain.

Biomedical Research

Research Assistant, part-time, \$30,101-\$39,134 + benefits

Perform cell culture, DNA, RNA and protein extraction, purification and analysis. Experimental assays including: PCR, ELISAs, Western, immunohistochemistry and immune-precipitation. Experience with procedures with rabbit models of arthritis is very desirable and duties may include minor surgical manipulation and tissue specimen collection.

Research Assistant, full-time, \$33,676-\$43,782 + benefits

Perform cell culture, DNA, RNA and protein extraction, purification and analysis. Experimental assays including: cell growth analysis and cyto-toxicity assays, PCR, ELISAs, Western, Southern, Northern blotting, immune-precipitation, DNA transfection. Experience with mouse models is very desirable and duties may include mouse colony management, minor surgical manipulation, and tumor models in mice.

Administration Positions

No current openings

Portland VA Research Foundation Positions

Additional career opportunities can be found at the VAPORHCS affiliate non-profit Web site at: <http://www.pvarf.org/careers.php>

CLINICAL RESEARCH

Title: Research Nurse Coordinator

Expected Salary: \$72,540/year + Benefits

FTE: 1.0

Research and Development Service, located within the VA Portland Health Care System, is recruiting for a full-time Nurse Care Manager (NCM) for a clinical research project. The incumbent will provide clinical services as part of a randomized clinical trial aimed at improving the safety of prescription opioid medications for patients with chronic pain.

The NCM will conduct initial assessments of patients with chronic pain to assess issues related to medication safety. The NCM will track patients enrolled in the trial and offer decision support to primary care clinical teams. The NCM will document all services provided to patients in a research database.

Basic Entry Level Requirements:

Applicants must be graduates from a school of professional nursing approved by the appropriate State-accrediting agency **and** accredited by one of the following accrediting bodies at the time the program was completed by the applicant: The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) or The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE); have a current, full, active, and unrestricted registration as a graduate professional nurse in a State, Territory or Commonwealth (i.e., Puerto Rico) of the United States, or the District of Columbia (in cases of graduates of foreign schools of professional nursing, possession of current, full, active and unrestricted registration will meet the requirement of graduation from an approved school of professional nursing); must be proficient in spoken and written English and must be a citizen of the United States.

The Nurse Care Manager will have clinical training as a registered nurse and have a clinical background in chronic disease management and outpatient treatment. The preferred candidate will have experience with chronic pain, substance use disorders, and/or prior experience in clinical research.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates should send a resume/CV and cover letter to Benjamin Morasco, PhD by email to Benjamin.Morasco@va.gov.

BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Title: Research Assistant (Translational Oncology); 1.0 FTE

Expected Salary: GS-5 (\$33,676-\$43,782/yr based on full-time employment)

Principal Investigator: Shih-Wen Luoh MD PhD

Lab: Cancer Research, VA Portland Health Care System

DUTIES

Perform cell culture, DNA, RNA and protein extraction, purification and analysis. Experimental assays including: cell growth analysis and cyto-toxicity assays, PCR, ELISAs, Western, Southern, Northern blotting, immune-precipitation, DNA transfection. Experience with mouse models is very desirable and duties may include mouse colony management, minor surgical manipulation, and tumor models in mice. Familiarity with word processing and basic statistical analysis computer programs. General lab maintenance, solution preparation, and supply ordering. Other duties may include clinical coordination, submission of regulatory paperwork, and other requirements for human subjects research.

Defined level of responsibility for position: Receives weekly supervision in performing experiments. Collects and analyzes data, and prepares reports. Innovation and problem solving required. Some experimental design/development/optimization as well as manuscript preparation and literature searches. Occasional evening and weekend involvement in conducting ongoing experiments. Participate in required laboratory and biosafety training.

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree in biology, chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology or related field. Documented experience in cell culture, mouse work and general laboratory procedures highly preferred, as is the ability to operate standard molecular biology equipment.

Interested candidates should send a resume/CV to Shih-Wen Luoh MD PhD by email to LUOHS@ohsu.edu.

BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

Title: Research Assistant (Arthritis Research); 0.50 FTE

Expected Salary: GS-4 (\$30,101-\$39,134/yr based on full-time employment)

Principal Investigator: Cong-Qiu Chu, MD PhD

Lab: Arthritis Research, VA Portland Health Care System

DUTIES

Perform cell culture, DNA, RNA and protein extraction, purification and analysis. Experimental assays including: PCR, ELISAs, Western, immunohistochemistry and immune-precipitation. Experience with procedures with rabbit models of arthritis is very desirable and duties may include minor surgical manipulation and tissue specimen collection. Familiarity with word processing and basic statistical analysis computer programs is required. Other duties include general lab maintenance, solution preparation, and supply ordering and may include submission of regulatory paperwork.

Defined level of responsibility for position: Receives weekly supervision in performing experiments. Collects and analyzes data, and prepares reports. Innovation and problem solving required. Some experimental design/development/optimization as well as manuscript preparation and literature searches. Occasional evening and weekend involvement in conducting ongoing experiments. Participate in required laboratory and biosafety training.

QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor's degree in biology, chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology or related field. Documented experience in cell culture, rabbit work and general laboratory procedures highly preferred, as is the ability to operate standard molecular biology equipment.

Interested candidates should send a resume/CV to Cong-Qiu Chu, MD PhD by email to chuc@ohsu.edu.